



RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED  
EXAMINING GROUP 1733  
PATENT: Mail Stop AF  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0054.01

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: )  
Riccardo CESARINI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1733  
Application No.: 10/679,357 ) Examiner: Maki, S  
Filed: October 7, 2003 )  
For: HIGH PERFORMANCE TIRE ) Confirmation No.: 3867  
FOR VEHICLES )

**Mail Stop AF**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31**

Sir:

Applicants appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the  
Examiner's decision mailed November 16, 2004.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. ☐ A Petition for extension of time to respond to the final rejection was filed extending the period for response.
2. ☒ A Petition for extension of time to further extend the period for response to May 16, 2005 is enclosed together with a fee of \$1,020.00.
3. ☒ The Appeal Fee of \$500.00 (or \$250.00 if by small entity)  
☒ is enclosed or ☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916
4. ☒ A check for \$1,520.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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